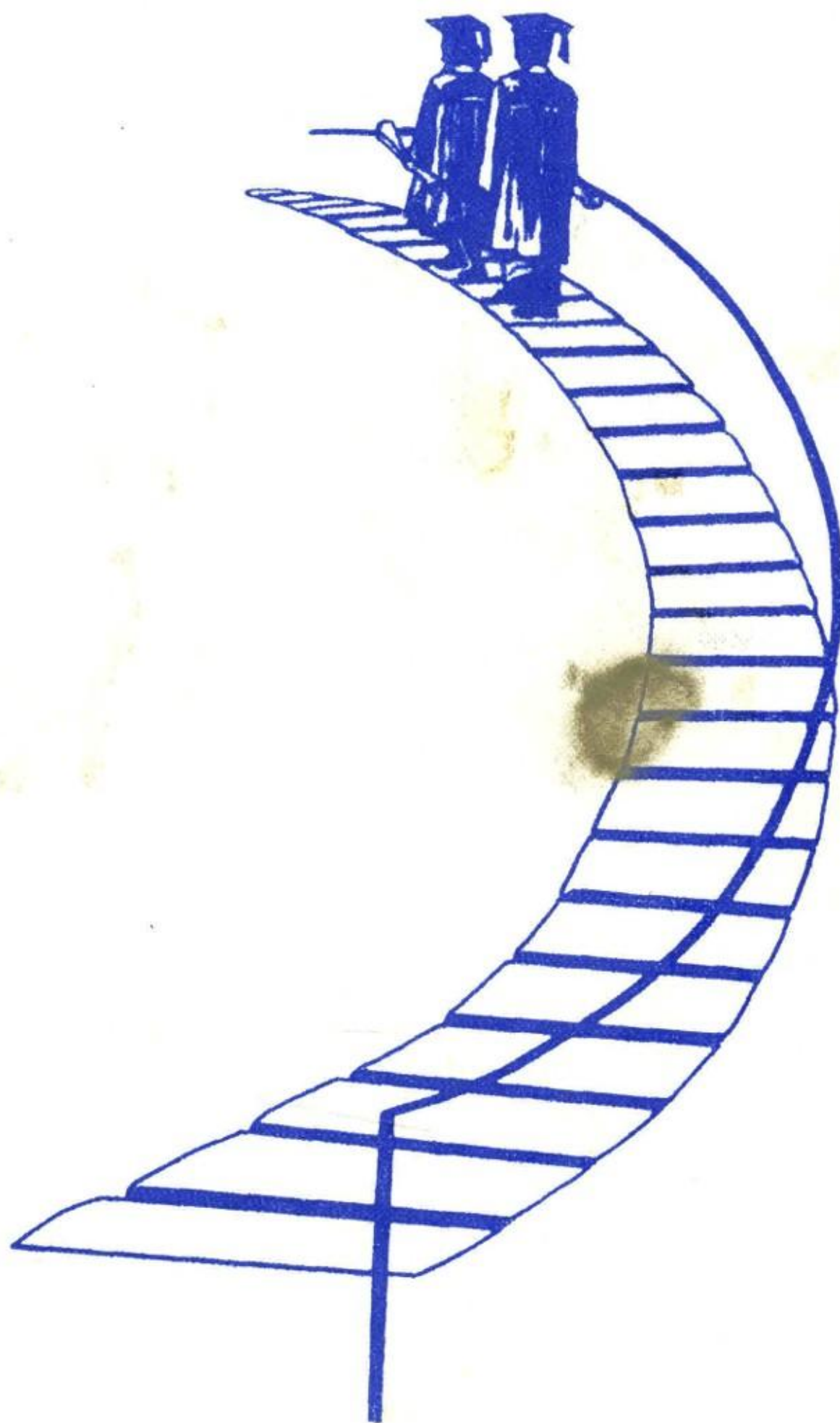




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FOREWORD

We, the Seniors of the John J. Wright graduating class of the year 1968, have reached that long awaited time which we began working for twelve years ago. We have gained rewards during these years that will aid us in our lives.

We shall always cherish the memories of "Ole" Wright. The joys and sorrows we've shared will always be with us.

Our gratitude extends to our administration, our teachers, and all of those individuals who have made us what we are and what we hope to become some day.

The pictorial and statistical views which follow in the remainder of this book will help you to conclude that:

"Our greatest aim is to dance upon the stars of success".

We, The Seniors

*There's a new tribunal now,
Higher than God's – the educated man's! – Robert Browning*

The seniors of John J. Wright Consolidated School take great pride in dedicating this book to one of the greatest factors in our being able to go on to grander things this year. To John J. Wright Consolidated School we give our thanks and most of all our love.

Our school has not only given us an education, it has given us purpose, ideals and goals. Perhaps, the most important of all its gifts is dreams, and when we depart this June we will take with us those dreams which we hope some day to make come true.

We also wish to express our gratitude to our many fine principals who have guided us through these last twelve years. To them, Mr. A. L. Scott, Mr. P. H. Stone, Mr. C. L. Conyers and Mr. P. C. Rock go our heartfelt thanks and remembrances of days gone.

And how could we not express our felicitations to our teaching staff, who have through the years been more than just teachers to us.

Finally, a word to our parents, who have had as hard a time as we in the last years. They have suffered along with us the pangs and tears of growing up. They have given us guidance, comfort and love. Just thanks cannot express our feelings.

So we have dedicated this book to our school and all those who go to make any school what it is. To our administration, faculty, and parents, we can only express our love, admiration and our thanks.

Gratefully Dedicate

SCHOOL SONG

Tune of "Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes"

We love thee so, our dear old school,
We must shed forth our thoughts.
We'll fight for thee, with loyalty,
and spirit for which, you fought.

Our fears are dashed, our hopes are raised,
Our faith in you will stand.
Thy guiding lights and rays are bright,
May your cause never wane.

School Colors—Blue and White

Nickname—"Wildcats"

Principal's Message



Since the founding of the John J. Wright School, each year a group of eager boys and girls have passed through its portals for their last time. It is with mixed emotions that I congratulate you, the graduation Class of 1968, the last graduation class of the John J. Wright Consolidated School. It is not easy to tell your thoughts, desires, dreams, ambitions, or even your emotions or frustrations. Some of you have worked hard at the business of being good students; others chose to take the easy road of just "getting by".

The winds of change are blowing over our society, and if you are indifferent to them, you may find too late that they have become a destructive hurricane. Consequently, you must possess a profound sense of values and courageously defend them; be able to discriminate between the significant and the trivial; between that which has beauty and integrity and that which is cheap and shabby.

John J. Wright School has always been glad to acclaim its sons and daughters, and proud of its alumni when they meet life's challenges boldly, and solve perplexing problems successfully. Your school is obligated also to accept you when you fail to live up to the best that is in you.

Now as a high school graduate, much more will be expected of you than is expected of a non-graduate. The light of learning, the torch of character, the candle of citizenship, and the beacon of moral, religious, or ethical concepts must ever be your precious gems. The beams of such ideals should radiate in every direction. May your every future step be turned toward this goal, and may John J. Wright, your Alma Mater, ever have cause to love you as one of its loyal sons or daughters.

P. C. ROCK

Assistant Principal's Message

Congratulations seniors! Throughout the past five years you have labored diligently in an effort to complete your high school careers. In June your dream of graduating will become a reality. For the fulfillment of this dream I congratulate you and wish for you a future of progress and prosperity.

As you prepare yourselves to enter into our competitive society, it is my sincere desire that you equip yourselves with saleable skills through continued formal training in order that you may be able to meet the challenge of change.

I hope that during the past five years you have become aware of your responsibility as American citizens, and that you will make a constructive contribution to the civic, social and public life surrounding you.

The future is yours.

Sincerely,

James A. Flannagan



Mrs. Lillian D. Brooks,
Secretary

Our Faculty

In our struggle toward high school graduation, the faculty has played a tremendous part. Whether caught in the classroom, or in informal moments, the faculty retains a great responsibility. Each teacher measures his countless hours of instruction by the successes of his students, for it is toward their future that the teacher has worked so diligently. These faculty members have many duties; many sponsor clubs, direct athletics, and counsel students. We give many thanks to them!



MRS. J. S. BATES
St. Paul's College
B.S., Home Economics & Science



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Virginia State College
B.S., Agricultural Ed.



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St. Paul's College
B.S., Elementary Ed.



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Virginia State College
B.S., Public School Music



MRS. E. B. BROWN
North Carolina College
B.A., Library Science



MISS M. E. CHANDLER
Knoxville College
B.S., Social Studies



MRS. B. C. CLARK
Mary Washington College
B.A., History

MRS. K. P. COLE
Radford College
B.S., Elementary Ed.

MRS. R. COMFORT
St. Paul's College
B.S., History



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MRS. J. D. FLANNAGAN
Virginia State College
B.S., Mathematics

MISS M. A. FRYE
Virginia Union University
B.A., Social Studies

MRS. A. W. HANKINSON
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B.A., Speech Therapy



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Virginia State College, Norfolk
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B.S., Elementary Ed.

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Virginia State College
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MRS. L. T. LEWIS
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B.A., Elementary Ed.



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MRS. M. M. NEWELL
Winston-Salem State College
B.S., Elementary Ed.



MRS. A. S. PEIRCE
Mary Washington College
B.A., History & Political Science

MISS M. J. RAGSDALE
St. Paul's College
B.S., Natural Science



MISS C. B. SAMPLE
Virginia State College
B.S., Health & Physical Ed.

MISS E. P. SIMS
North Carolina College
B.A., French

MRS. V. P. SMITH
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B.S., Elementary Ed.

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B.A., English

MR. B. J. THORNTON
Southern University
B.S., Physical Ed.



MRS. L. R. THORNTON
Livingstone College
B.S., Business Ed.

MISS D. A. TYREE
Bluefield State College
B.S., Elementary Ed.

MISS R. WASHINGTON
Virginia State College
B.A., Secondary Ed.

MISS A. L. WILLIAMS
Albany State College
B.S., Elementary Ed.

MRS. D. W. WILLIAMS
Virginia Union University
B.A., Elementary Ed.

MISS G. S. WILSON
Virginia State College
B.S., Elementary Ed.



VISITING TEACHER

MR. G. KOLB
B.S., Distributive Ed.
Virginia Polytechnic Institute

Our

Senior

Year

Signified

Decision

Fun and

Action



Seniors



MISS M. A. FRYE
Sponsor

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS



Brenda Stewart
President



Howard Anderson
Vice President



Shirley Comfort
Secretary



Sandra Hudson
Asst. Sec.



Shelby Robinson
Treasurer



Jacqueline Woodward
Chaplain



Francine Parker
Reporter

CLASS FLOWER: Pink Carnation

CLASS MOTTO: Our Greatest Aim is to dance upon the stars of success

CLASS COLORS: Pink and Burgundy



Seniors

Howard L. Anderson
Estellita M. Baldwin
Alvin R. Banks



Vonda C. Broaddus
Kay E. Cannedy
James Coleman

Frank Comfort
James R. Comfort
Shirley M. Comfort



Seniors



Alfred L. Fairchild
Roland E. Fairchild
Ruth A. Ferguson

James French
Sandra L. Hudson
Carolyn A. Jackson



Ray A. Kay
Audrey M. Lawson
Horace A. Lindsay

Seniors

Ronnie S. Lucas
Mauritta E. Minor
Myrtle D. Minor



Rhodie M. Minor
Elmo Norbrey
Allegro C. Parker

Francine B. Parker
Mary E. Poindexter
Shelby J. Robinson



Seniors



Carrol Ross

Brenda J. Stewart

Philbertha Tyler

Susie M. Washington

Valerie D. Washington

Mildred R. Williams



Jacqueline V. Woodward

Wilbert L. Wormley

Eunice H. Young

Class Song

(Tune: Born Free)

Dear school and friends,
We reach our goal and end—
An end that now brings to us
A great new life to begin.

Was here we came
It seems like a day ago
To learn things we did not know,
Dear Wright you've aided us so.

We look back
To where we first started,
On deeds we've done
And victories we've won.

Schoolmates dear,
We hope for you good cheer,
We leave you to tend the throne
And bid you carry on.

Words cannot
Express our gratefulness
We give with sincerity
Thanks to our faculty.

Parents too,
How can we forget you?
For as long as we live
Love and thanks to you we'll give.

John J. Wright,
Our school days have met an end,
a new life we'll now begin
Now that we're set free.



Shelby Robinson

Class Will

We, the 1968 graduating class of John J. Wright Consolidated School, do hereby declare this our last will and testament.

To the principal and staff members, we leave our genuine feelings of gratitude for their conquering efforts toward our education.

To the Junior Class, we leave our eagerness for excellence, to the Sophomore Class, our stateliness, to the remaining underclassmen, our respect and consideration for authority.

Valerie Washington wills her ability to stick to one man to Janice White.

Susie Washington wills her big legs to Linda Terrell.

Jacqueline Woodward wills her appearance to Brenda Lawson.

Audrey Lee Lawson wills her figure to Hazel Moss.

Shelby Robinson wills her height to Paula Broadus.

Carolyn Jackson wills her hair to all junior girls.

Shirley Comfort wills her musical talent to Audrey Ferguson.

Mildred Williams wills her ability to succeed in life to all junior girls.

Myrtle Minor wills her seriousness to all junior girls.

Rhodie Minor wills her height to Annie Hilliard.

Vonda Broadus wills her ability to solve a problem to Madge Tyler.

Carroll Ross wills his romantic powers to Franklin Brown.

Allegro Parker wills his position as captain of the football team to William Hudson.

Sandra Hudson wills her initiative to be a model to Sadie Marshall.

Ray Kay wills his ability to drive a school bus to Louis Coleman.

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Class History

As we the Senior Class of 1968 look back on the twelve years we have spent here at John J. Wright Consolidated School, we are touched by every golden memory.

1964—We entered high school as freshmen who had a lot to learn about being high school students. With the leadership of Miss Chandler and Mr. Thomas we made it through our first year. Among our achievements as freshmen were Science & Math awards won by five members of the class. Our class had the largest number of honor roll students in the entire high school department. We also participated in many club and extra-curricular activities.

With the experience we gained as freshmen we soared into the next year with "Full speed ahead" as our slogan. To start the year right two members of the class were elected officers of the J. J. Wright Student Participation Association (S. P. A.). Sophomore boys showed unlimited spirit through their participation in Athletic Activities. To cheer them on to victory, three members of the class formed the Junior Varsity Cheering Squad. That year the School sponsored a fund-raising talent show and Gillete McCall, then a sophomore won first place awards. Brenda Stewart and Shirley Comfort became members of the National Honor Society. James Coleman won first place in the District Vocational Arts Convention. As sophomores we had earned our place in the world of the upper classmen.

As juniors we held many and various positions of leadership. Six members of the Junior Class were S. P. A. officers and at the year's end, four of those students, Shelby Robinson, Brenda Stewart, Jacqueline Woodward, and Howard Anderson, received S. P. A. pens for outstanding work in that field. We also functioned as officers and members of the Dramatics Club, the Honor Society, Band and Chorus, the Commercial Club, F. H. A. and F. F. A. and the 4-in-1-Club. Junior boys Allegro Parker and Alfred Fairchild received litters for outstanding participation in District sports/activities. Shelby Robinson was inducted into the National Honor Society. So much happened during that year, but how can one forget our year's highlight, the presentation of the Junior-Senior Prom entitled SHOWER OF STARS?

Today we are Seniors, thirty-five in number, overflowing with pride and happiness, and determined to "dance upon the stars of success". Thus far, this has been the most challenging of our high school years, but we still hold tight to our star.

The seniors who are officers of the Student Council are Brenda Stewart, President, Shirley Comfort, Vice President, Francine Parker, Secretary, Jacqueline Woodward, Asst. Secretary, and Shelby Robinson, ex officio member of J. J. Wright Student Council. Brenda Stewart and Shelby Robinson are also officers of the District S. P. A. Allegro Parker is captain and Horace Lindsey co-captain of the "Wildcat" football team. Allegro is also captain of the Basketball team. We still have the largest number of honor students and we are planning to lengthen that list.

As we look back over our brief history we cannot deny that our's has been one of many achievements and many memorable experiences. We hope to take advantage of these achievements and experiences to secure the blessings of further education for ourselves and offer what we may to others.

Class Reunion 1978

We are meeting at the home of Audreylee, a leading interior decorator in Paris. Assisting her in making preparations for the group is Shelby who is a fashion editor.

Well, look who just walked in. Why it is none other than the three top detectives in New York, Ray Kay, Alvin Banks and James. They are not alone because they have brought their secretaries Francine, Vonda, Maurritta and Philbertha. The head of ACE, Jacqueline whose job deals with computers, just arrived with two IBM operators Roland and Myrtle, who are also doubling as secret agents.

There is Ronnie Lucas who is making the Navy his career. He is talking to Alfred Fairchild, Wilbert Wormley, Howard Anderson and Elmo Norbrey who all have just completed construction of the worlds new and largest United Nations building.

Frank Comfort, noted for his outstanding taste when it comes to dressing, just walked in with three ladies who are employed as clerks in his firm, Estellitta, Rhodie and Mildred.

Brenda Stewart and Shirley Comfort have just arrived after touring the European continent. Brenda has received her B. S. Degree from Vassar. In the future Shirley will be addressed as Dr. Comfort, since she will be awarded another degree in five months. James Comfort, Shirley's brother has also met with a great deal of success. He is the Chairman of the President's Committee on Social Relations.

Horace Lindsay now a football coach at UCLA and Allegro Parker, head coach for the Green Bay Packers have taken special leave to attend this reunion.

Escorting Valerie Washington and Ruth Ferguson, who have been ranked with Mahalia Jackson spiritual music is Carroll Ross the owner and operator of an art school which was once under the direction of Norman Rockwell.

Eunice and Carolyn have just arrived one trying to out talk the other in an attempt to explain their jobs as speech therapist.

Sandra Hudson and Mary Poindexter who both assisted Dr. James Coleman in his most recent and successful heart transplant have both just made their entrance.

Long awaited, and much talked about Susie Washington, now a regular performer on the Red Skelton Show, just walked in wearing an eye catching mink coat.

With misty eyes, Miss Frye seems to be very proud of the progress that her seniors have made. After dinner all join in the singing of our class song.

So ends our class reunion.

The



Underclassmen

Our Junior



Adams, Phyllis



Coles, Catherine



Banks, Clyde



Banks, Melvin

Comfort, Barbara

Ellis, Jackie



Broadus, Paula



Coleman, Barbara

Ferguson, Althea

Frye, Paula



Coleman, Catherine



Coleman, Emma

Garlic, Bessie

Hawthorne, Joseph



Coleman, Louis



Coleman, Sandra

Hawthorne, Sharon

Hilliard, Annie



Coleman, Sarah



Coleman, Virginia

Hilliard, Catherine

Hudson, William



Class



Jackson, Brenda

Pendleton, Estelle



Jackson, Charlotte



Lawson, Brenda

Pratt, Hazel

Pratt, Mary



Lewis, Adelaide



Lewis, Frederick

Sample, Leroy

Smith, Barbara



Lewis, Rachel



Lewis, Sandra

Stewart, Linda

Terrell, Linda



Marshall, Sadie



Moss, Hazel

Thompson, Gary

Ware, Donald



Parker, Patricia



Pendleton, Barbara

Ware, Reginald

Woodward, Cynthia





Adams, Burnett

Banks, Harry

Coleman, Shirley

Comfort, George



Banks, Iretha

Banks, Reginald

Dawson, Walter

Hill, Etta



Berryman, Alfred

Brooks, Franklin

Isler, Michael

Jackson, Barbara



Burrell, George

Cannedy, Brenda

Jackson, Glenn

Jones, Margaret



Carter, Lucy

Carter, Mary

Lewis, Bernard

Lewis, Lubert



Coleman, Joseph

Coleman, Larry

Minor, Corrine

Minor, Juanita



Coleman, Nellie

Sophomores



Minor, George

Minor, Rosa

Pendleton, John

Pendleton, Matthew



Pendleton, Nathaniel

Pendleton, Patricia

Poindexter, Barbara

Sales, Thomas



Samuel, Joyce

Smith, Ronald

Stewart, Marilyn

Taylor, Ruth



Turner, Vernall

Tyler, Alvin

Tyler, Mary

Upshur, Deborah



Washington, Charles

Washington, Veronica

Williams, Beverly

Winn, Herman



Woodfolk, Spurgeon

Woodward, Catherine

Turner, Charles

Turner, Frank



Sophomores

Freshmen



Larry Adams

Gwendolyn Armstead

Shelida Frye

Brenda Gatlin



Joyce Banks

Linda Banks

Donna Harty

Robert Hopkins

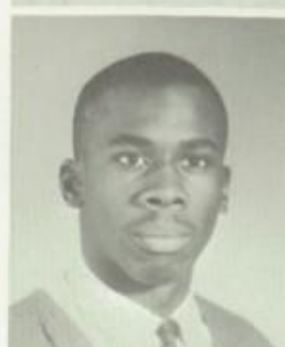


Mary Bates

Mildred Bates

Larry Isler

Cheryl Jackson



Michael Beasley

Cynthia Brooks

Gary Jackson

Rosetta Jackson



Clayton Childs

Carolyn Coleman

Lucia Johnson

James Johnson



Davietta Comfort

Ernestine Comfort

Rina Johnson

Franklin Jones



Ronnie Ellis

Deloris Ferguson

Gregory Jones

Robert Jones



Freshmen

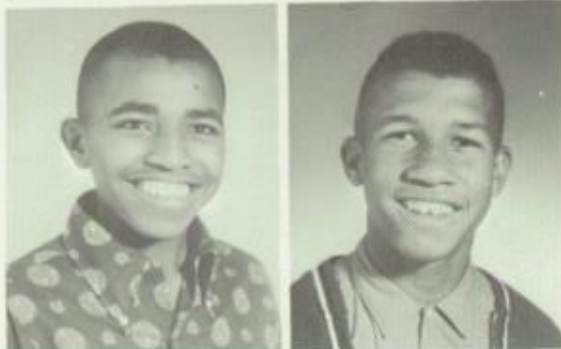


Elaine Lawson

Diane Lewis

Frederick Sales

Alice Spenser



Gary Lewis

Gerald Lewis

Larry Stewart

Myrtle Talley



Alma Minor

Dorothy Minor

Alice Walker

Mary Washington



Geneva Minor

Gladys Minor

Clifton Watkins

Linda White



Regina Minor

Earthskin Moss

Michael Williams

Howard Willis



Lenard Nobrey

Russell Parker

Michael Woodward

Richard Woodard



Claudia Rollins

William Rollins

Gloria Wormley

Janice Wormley



Eighth Graders

Embrey Banks
Michael Banks



Alvin Fauntleroy
Calvin Fox

Milton Banks
Clyd Broadus



Arthur Frye
Patricia Hawthorne

Margaret Cannedy
Franklin Clements



Zolly Hawthorne
Raymond Hill

Mary Cole
William Cole



Bernard Jackson
Marvin Jackson

Linda Childs
Marita Coleman



Donald James
Schenthal Johnson

Archie Comfort
Ruth Comfort



Sheryl Conyers
Deborah Ely



Ronnie Ellis
Dorothy Ennis



Eighth Graders

Edward Jones
Deloris Kay



Queen Standley
Doris Swanson

Adele Lewis
Mildred Lewis



Alfred Taylor
Brenda Taylor

Helen Minor
Leander Minor



Margaret Taylor
Kelvin Thompson

Phillip Minor
Frederick Parker



Shelia Thompson
Thomal Turner

Wanda Samual
Carolyn Smith



Eugene Tyler
Vincent Tyler



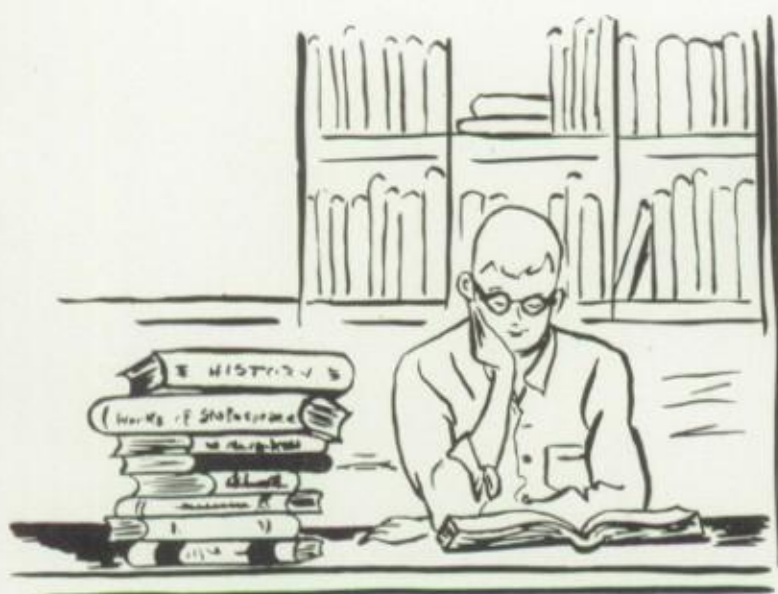
Alice Walker
Mary Ward



Barbara White
James Williams



Roberta Williams
Beatrice Winn



Elmo Norbrey wills his sweet disposition to Harry McHenry.
Ruth Ferguson wills her sense of humor to Cynthia Coleman.
James French wills his fantastic personality to Robert Tyler.
Eunice Young wills her vivacious spirits to all juniors.
Philbertha Tyler wills her personality to Wallace Parker.
Wilbert Wormley wills his ability to dress and to think to Emmett Anderson.
Francine Parker wills her personality to Doretha Anderson.
Ronnie Lucas wills his swimming ability to Joseph Hawthorne.
Roland Fairchild wills his ability to play basketball to Leroy Sample.
Wayne Pendleton wills his slowness to Donald Ware.
James Comfort wills his 55½ to Harry McHenry.
James Coleman wills his ability to succeed in life to Gary Thompson.
Frank Comfort wills his shortness to Benjamin Tyler.
Howard Anderson wills his savior faire to Wayne Cole.
Alvin Banks wills his boxing ability to Jesse Dawson.
Brenda Stewart wills her intelligence to Linda Stewart.
Horace Lindsay wills his tackling ability to Howard Harris.
Alfred Fairchild wills his ability to play football to Donald Ware.
Mary Poindexter wills her sexy appearance to Paula Broaddus.
Paula Taylor wills her personality to Sarah Coleman.

CLASS POEM

Out of days past and years gone by,
When knowledge was little but hopes were high;
We came to learn what we did not know,
And the seeds of knowledge began to grow.
It was here we came, our minds at ease
That dear ole Wright, our desires would please.
The need to know was strong and great,
Twelve years of schooling was to be our fate.
Now we've come to our path's end,
Like the leaf that rides on the autumn wind
Which must sometime, reach it's resting place.
We've come to ours with God's help and grace.
And now we've reached that long awaited day
When we begin to walk in a new way.
But at the same time our hearts show sorrow,
For as we wait for that bright tomorrow,
We remember our days here at dear Old Wright;
The good, the bad and ones just right.
So now we say our last good-byes,
And as we part with misty eyes,
We say "We'll never forget you, dear friend,
And your excellence we'll always defend".

Shirley Comfort
Brenda Stewart

Seventh Grade



7A Mrs. J. S. Bates, Sponsor

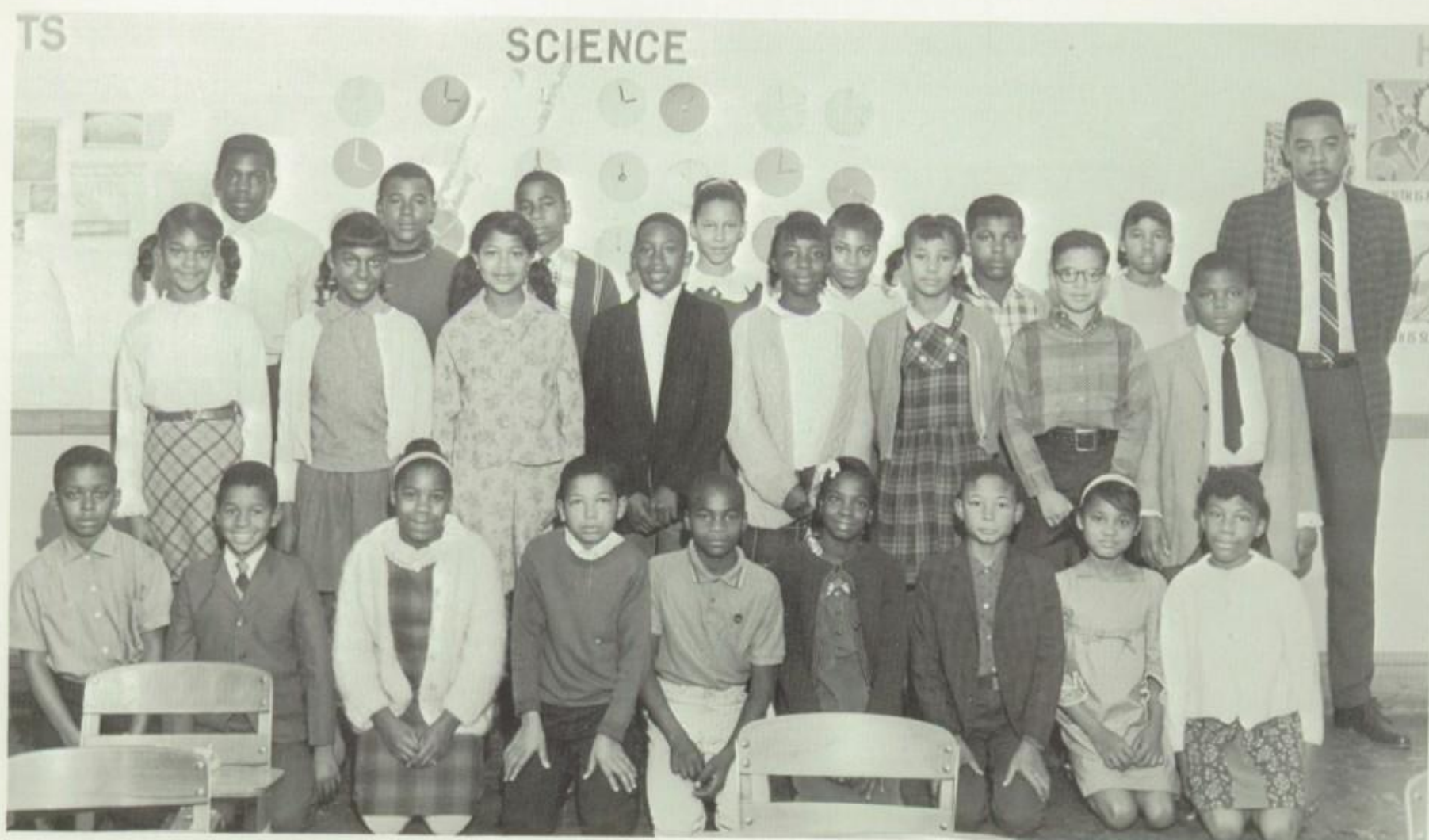


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Sixth Grade



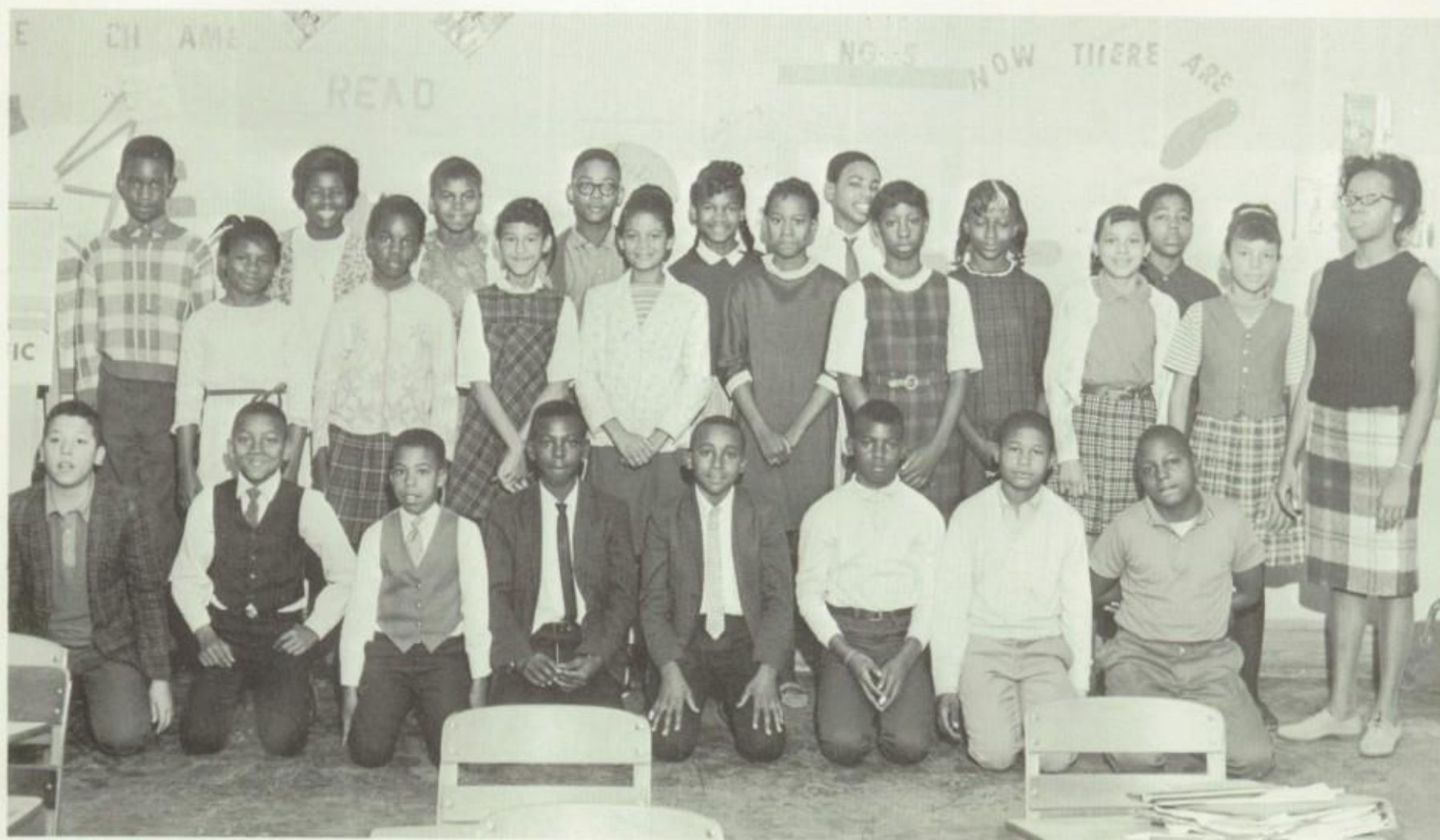
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6D Miss M. E. Chandler, Sponsor

Fifth Grade



5A Mrs. F. W. Lucas, Sponsor



5B Mrs. L. R. Thornton, Sponsor



5C Mrs. G. G. Stephens, Sponsor

Fourth Grade



4A Mrs. A. W. Hankinson, Sponsor



4B Mrs. R. W. Comford, Sponsor



4C Mrs. A. W. Peirce, Sponsor

Third Grade



3A Mrs. K. P. Cole, Sponsor



3B Miss R. Washington, Sponsor



3C Miss M. M. Hester, Sponsor



3D Mrs. S. L. Heath, Sponsor

Second Grade



2A Mrs. L. T. Lewis, Sponsor



2B Miss G. K. Hubbard, Sponsor



2C Miss D. A. Tyree, Sponsor

First Grade



IA Mrs. V. P. Smith, Sponsor



IB Mrs. D. W. Williams, Sponsor



IC Mrs. E. R. Boyd, Sponsor



ID Miss A. L. Williams, Sponsor

Clubs

and



Organizations

Student Council



The Student Cooperative Association is the organization through which student problems are presented to the faculty and the administration. The chief objective of the S. C. A. is to create, promote, and maintain a rounded school by which all students can benefit.

Every student in John J. Wright is a member of the S. C. A. Two representatives from each high school homeroom are elected to attend meetings in behalf of the other students.

The group has as its sponsors Miss Frye and Miss Stevens.

"Government is a contrivance of human wisdom to provide human wants."

Library Club



Tracking down, stamping, checking out, and shelving books, along with keeping the magazines straight are some of the duties performed by the members of the Library Club. Headed by Mrs. Brown these students serve on a Voluntary basis.



Chorus



The chorus has increased its membership this year along with an increased amount of participation in school and local activities. The chorus participated in the 100th anniversary celebration at Sylvannah Baptist Church. In appreciation, the chorus was sent a basket of lovely flowers. Mrs. D. Lippincott is the director of the group.

Band



Mr. K. A. Lipscomb, Sponsor



Campus Echo



These are the people responsible for getting all the school news into print. The Campus Echo is under the sponsorship of Mrs. Harper.

National Honor Society



President
Brenda Stewart



Vice President
Shirley Comfort



Secretary
Shelby Robinson

The John J. Wright Chapter of the National Honor Society has been in existence for only six years. Membership is based on character, leadership, and service as well as high scholastic average.

Sponsors Mrs. Hubbard and Mr. Flannagan

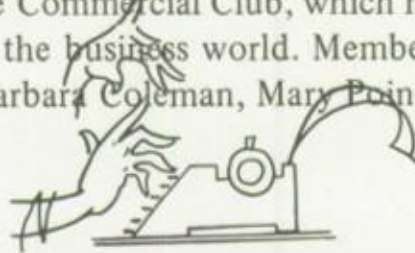


Commercial Club



These young ladies are all members of the Commercial Club, which has as its purpose to broaden the views of its members towards possible useful careers in the business world. Members pictured above are: Rhodie Minor, Philbertha Tyler, Eunice Young. STANDING: Barbara Coleman, Mary Poindexter, Kay Cannedy, Wallace Parker, Estelita Baldwin, Myrtle Minor.

Mrs. Harper is sponsor.



Dramatics Club



The sponsors of the Dramatics Club are Miss Sims and Miss Stevens.

"The world is a stage".
Shakespeare





Future Homemakers of America



These girls belong to the Future Homemakers of America. One of the groups main projects for the year was the distribution of baskets to deserving families at Thanksgiving. The girls study fashion trends, wise shopping, methods to improve one's appearance as well as sewing, cooking and other jobs of good homemaking. The club is sponsored by Miss Darden.



Future Farmers of America



The entire school and community are benefiting from the work these boys accomplish. These boys are all members of the Future Farmers of America. Officers of the group are: Robert Tyler, President; Howard Anderson, Vice President; Louis Coleman, Secretary; Ray Kay, Treasurer; Roland Fairchild Reporter. Mr. Binford is sponsor.

Cheerleaders



"Go Wildcats go!" can be heard at our football and basketball games. These young ladies generate enthusiasm and spark school spirit. These cheerleaders, Varsity and Junior Varsity, gallantly stood by the Wildcats during wins and losses. To create good sportsmanship and more school spirit has been their main objective.

Once a year, competitive tryouts are held under the direction of Miss C. Sample and Mrs. G. Stephens. The girls are chosen for their personality, cheerfulness, personal appearance, and their ability to perform the yells.

Members of the varsity squad are: Brenda Jackson, Linda Terrell, Sandra Lewis, Patricia Parker, Claudia Rollins, Brenda Lawson, Joyce Samuels, Vanette Jones, and SITTING Sharon Hawthorne.



Members of the jayvee squad are: (FRONT ROW) Sharon Thompson, Mary Pratt, Donna Harty, Sheryl Conyers, Beverly Williams. (BACK ROW) Mauritta Minor, Audrey Ferguson, Shelby Robinson, Susie Washington, Gladys Minor.



Majorettes



Strutting down the field with batons twirling, these young ladies represent our John J. Wright majorettes. The lovely ladies are: Donna Harty, Shelia Dawson, Vanette Jones, and Claudia Rollins. (RIGHT GOING UP) Linda Terrell, Elaine Lawson, Brenda Lawson, Janice White. SITTING is Tracy Williams.

Driver Education Class



These are the members of the J. J. Wright Driver Education Class. Miss C. Sample is the director of the class.

We hope these students will always practice the safe driving skills they are being taught.

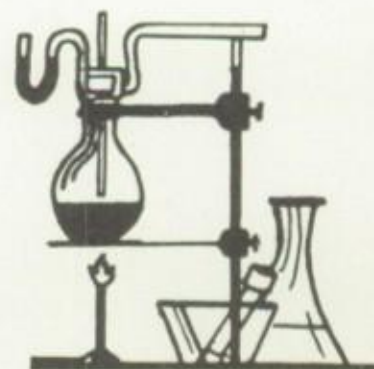
Science & Math Club



Pictured above are the officers and sponsors of the Science and Math Club. They are: Sadie Marshall, Miss Ragsdale, Shirley Comfort, Mr. Haywood, Mrs. Flannagan, Brenda Lawson, Sandra Hudson, Brenda Stewart, Allegro Parker.

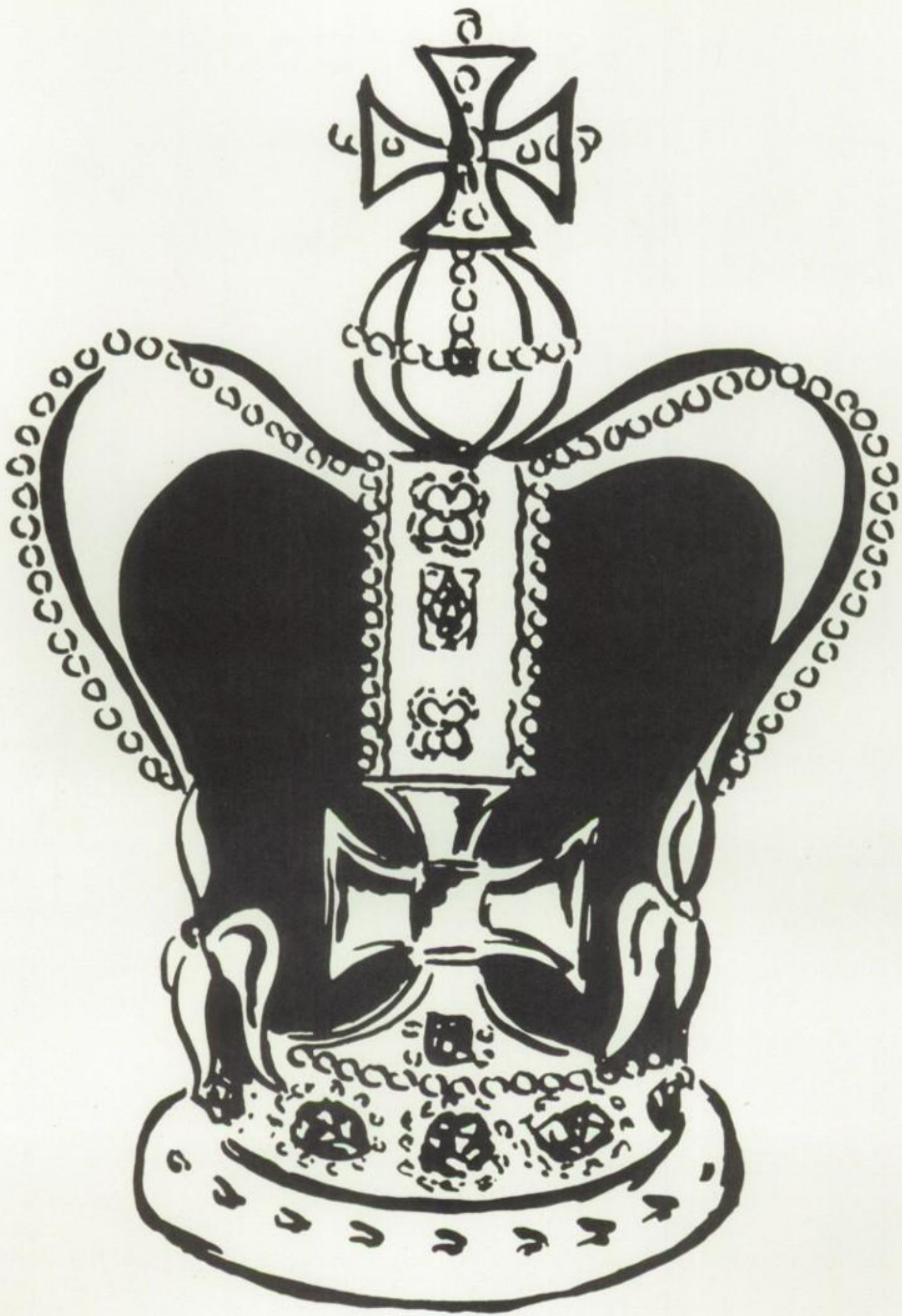
THE BABY GAME

How many of the baby faces can you identify?



1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Answers on page 75



Features

Miss Yearbook



AUDREYLEE LAWSON

The Queen's Court



Barbara Comfort
Miss Eleventh Grade



Gladys Minor
Miss Ninth Grade



Beatrice Winn
Miss Eighth Grade



Linda Tyler
Miss Sixth Grade



Shelia Parker
Miss Fifth Grade
(Not Pictured)

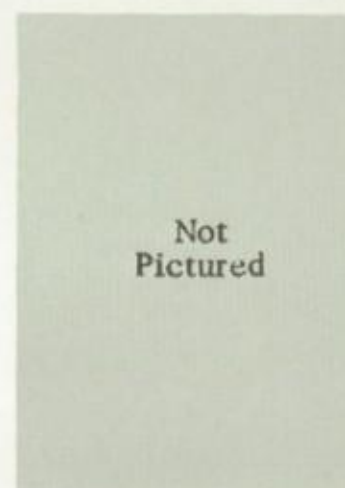


Shelia Dawson
PRINCESS



Tracey Williams
Miss Fourth Grade

Kim Jackson
Miss Third Grade
(Not Pictured)



Tammy Foster
Miss Second Grade



Clara Woodward
Miss First Grade

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Senior Directory

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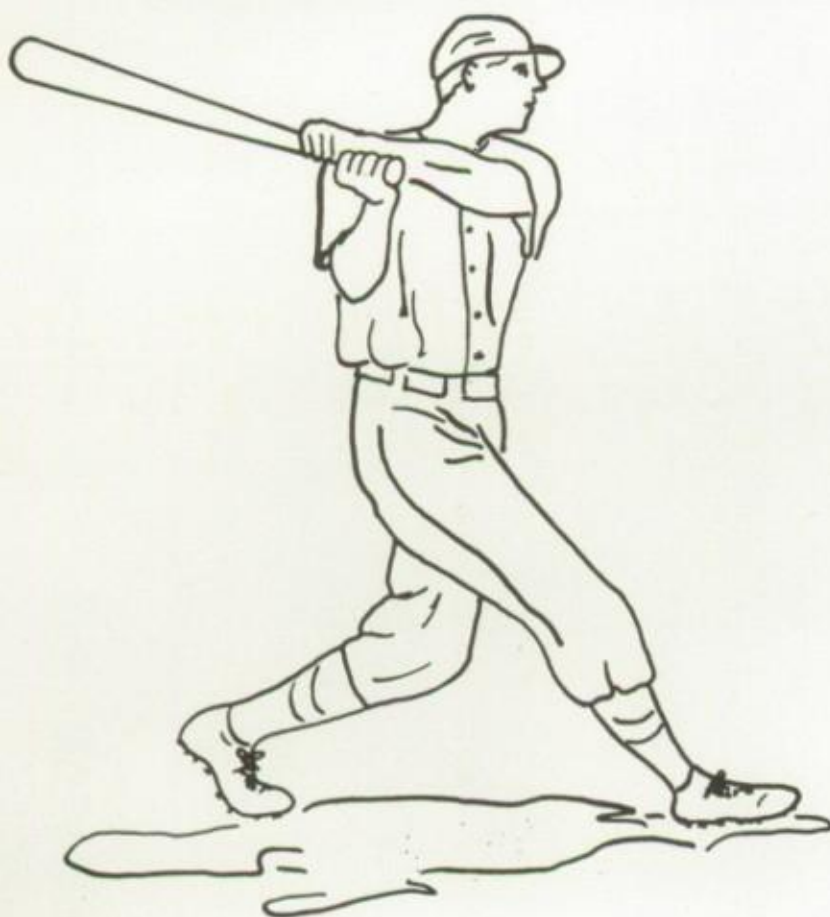
Sandra Hudson
Carroll Ross

Sports



FOOTBALL

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BASKETBALL



To Coach

A high school education serves to prepare an individual to actively participate in society as a useful citizen. As prospective graduates, we do not pretend to be all knowing and all wise. We still do not thoroughly understand how each of the courses and activities combine to round us out. This we will fully realize when we have matured further.

There are, however, some exceptions. One of the exceptions is sports. Our active participation in sports has played a large part in our high school's preparatory program; by stressing team work and sportsmanship.

We have been taught how to work together on a team, each man unselfishly working for the good of the group. We also have experienced triumphs and defeats. Working with people smoothly and accepting life's ups and downs is a never ending process of life.

So at this time we would like to "tip" our hats to a man of boundless energy, and industry Mr. W. J. Conyers who has helped us toward our mental as well as our physical growth.

THANK YOU
GRADUATING MEMBERS OF
THE FOOTBALL TEAM

Wildcats

We had a good season as far as the coaches are concerned. The main job of the coaches was to build a team in all positions with the exception of quarter back which was being played by Allegro Parker. The offense line had a very qualified guard in Harry McHenry and a very fine tackle in Horace Lindsay.

When Alfred Fairchild was injured, an end had to be found as a replacement. Wayne Cole a defensive tackle came on to perform outstandingly.

The 1967 Line-Up of Players

Offensive Line-Up

1. Ends
Wayne Cole
Alfred Fairchild
Marvin Jackson
2. Tackles
Horace Lindsay, Co. Capt.
Clyde Banks
3. Guards
Gary Thompson
Harry McHenry
4. Center
Robert Hilliard
5. Half Backs
Leroy Sample
Reginald Ware
Joseph Hawthorn
6. Full-Backs
Jessie Dawson
James Wood
7. Quarterback
Allegro Parker, Co. Capt.

Defensive Line-Up

- End
James Wood
Alfred Fairchild
- Tackles
William Hudson
Wayne Cole
- Middle Guard
Horace Lindsay
- Line Backers
Gary Thompson
Robert Hilliard
Wayne Pendleton
Franklin Brown
Joseph Hawthorn
- Safety
Walter Dawson
Roland Fairchild

OUTSTANDING FRESHMEN

- Marvin Jackson
Robert Tyler
Robert Jones

Coaches

- W. J. Conyers
J. M. Haywood



Baseball



These are the members of the Wildcat Baseball team for the 1968 baseball season. (LEFT-RIGHT) M. Jackson, Jackson, C. Johnson, J. M. Haywood, coach, G. Burrell, A. Fairchild, J. Sample, R. Fairchild, R. Lucas, F. Parker, (KNEELING) M. Banks, D. Lewis, J. Wood, A. Parker.



Basketball



Above are some of the members of the basketball team. (LEFT-RIGHT STANDING) A. Parker, J. Wood, D. Lewis, J. Comfort, A. Fairchild. (KNEELING L-R) R. Lucas, R. Fairchild, F. Comfort. W. J. Conyers is head coach of the varsity players. B. J. Thornton is the coach of the junior varsity team.



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